CHAPTER NO. 645

HOUSE BILL NO. 2323

By Representative Brown

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2223

By Senators Fowler, Crutchfield

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 12-4-320, relative to pilot program to reimburse licensed residential homes for aged.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 12-4-320(a), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(a) The board for licensing health care facilities may, by regulation, establish a pilot program to reimburse licensed residential homes for the aged, as defined by § 68-11-201, to the exclusion of institutional homes for the aged, in those counties having a metropolitan form of government and in those counties having a population according to the 1980 or any subsequent census of:

not less than	nor more than
6,125	6,225
8,600	8,650
13,565	13,600
13,760	13,860
19,500	19,575
20,300	20,400
23,850	23,900
25,300	25,350
27,900	27,920
28,250	28,300
32,850	32,950
34,600	34,700
56,000	56,100
74,500	74,600
287,700	287,800
319,625	319,725
770,000	780,000

These regulations may, in the discretion of the board, distinguish between the types of facilities and between beds within a facility to implement this pilot program, the cost of which shall not exceed the amount provided for this purpose in the general appropriations act.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004, the public welfare requiring

PASSED: April 26, 2004

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 11th day of May 2004

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